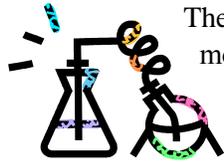


Dorchester Consolidated School visited Convocation Hall in Sackville on October 2nd to attend a “Pops Concert”. This free event allowed students to learn and practice concert etiquette and hear a variety of musical styles and instruments.



The middle school participated in Mount Allison’s “Let’s Talk Science” program this month. Students from Mt. A’s science department visited and lead students through science experiments and activities about electrical circuits.

Dorchester Consolidated is pleased to announce we have a Peer Mediation group! Ms. Shelly Anderson, our school guidance counselor trained 10 of our middle school students in Peer Mediation. Peer Mediators try to help other students create win-win resolutions by listening to their needs and assisting them in communicating with one another. We want to thank these students for stepping forward to take on this leadership role.



The K-2 classes visited the Tantramar Wetlands Center this month. They had a wonderful time exploring the displays and learning about the creatures who live in wetlands. They came back and wrote stories about their experiences.



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On Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> we were visited by Melanie Belliveau from the CNIB and her colleagues Nathalie Fougere and Julie Morneault and the guide dog Blackie. Nathalie read a story from a book written in braille and Julie explained Blackie’s work as a guide dog. Thank you to Ms. Anderson for arranging this and we look forward to the next visit in the New Year.

During Fire Prevention Week, the Dorchester Volunteer Fire Department came out in full force to respond to our mock fire drill. They did demonstrations with the jaws of life and brought an inflatable house that could be filled with “smoke”. Students had an opportunity to go through the house to experience what it would be like to be in a smoke filled building. Thank you to the fire department for the time and energy they put into this fire safety event.



Dorchester Consolidated’s Cranberry Fundraiser was a great success! Thank you to Mr. Goodland for the cranberries, the volunteers who helped us bag, and the customers who bought the berries.



We know many Dorchester families enjoyed these delicious berries at their Thanksgiving dinners. Thank you for the support!

On Thursday evening, October 30<sup>th</sup>, Dorchester Consolidated had what is becoming our annual “spookwalk at the school”. This event was once again hosted by the student council under the artistic direction of Mrs. Milner. Similar to last year, the amount of “spookiness” varied depending on the age of the children on the walk. A frightening (but quite popular) addition this year was the zombie room. Children came in costume and left the event with homemade cookies and juice. Thanks so much to the staff who made this such a SPOOK tacular time!

